

However, only one case of robbery was reported during the year 2000-2001 (April to June, 2000) in Hirakhand Express.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

### **Foreign members of Asian Health Environment and Allied Databases**

3558. SHRI S. RAMACHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any foreign citizens/organisations are/were members of the society called Asian Health Environment and Allied Databases, registered on 12th August 1994 (No. s/26497), with Registrar of Societies, Delhi; and

(b) if so, the details regarding occupation and address of the above members, year-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) NISCOM has in 1999, withdrawn from the consortium AHEAD for CD-ROM Project due to administrative reasons. Now no further activity relating to the project is being carried on at NISCOM, accordingly, the information is not available.

(b) Does not arise.

### **Transgenic crops**

†3559. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH:

SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item published in 'The Times of India' dated 21st July, 2000 under the caption, "concern over effects of transgenic crops";

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that many scientific institutions of certain developed and developing countries have expressed concern over transgenic food crops; and

(c) if so, Government's reaction in this regard?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.